GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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HANDING OVER OF SECURITY TASK TO RPF
RAMPAL SINGH

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government are considering to hand over the task of security ofpassenger in trains and at the platforms to Rail Protection Force in place of Government Railway Police;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether the Government intend to amend law in this regard; and

(d) If so, the time by which it is likely to be amended?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a)&(b) No, Sir. The Government is however considering a proposal to givemore responsibility to the RPF for escorting passenger trains in vulnerable areas and providing access control and general security on the platforms.

(c)&(d) Yes, Sir. But a time limit cannot be set as the amendment of law will be done in consultation with various Ministers/Departments, which may take some time.